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Held at Headquarters, New York,
on Wednesday, 10 November 1993, at 7.05 p.m.

President:	Mr. LI Zhaoxing	(China)
Members:	Brazil	Mr. SARDENBERG
	Cape Verde	Mr. BARBOSA
	Djibouti	Mr. OLHAYE
	France	Mr. MERIMÉE
	Hungary	Mr. MOLNAR
	Japan	Mr. MARUYAMA
	Morocco	Ms. GHANNAM
	New Zealand	Mr. KEATING
	Pakistan	Mr. MARKER
	Russian Federation	Mr. VORONTSOV
	Spain	Mr. DASTIS
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Sir David HANNAY
	United States of America	Ms. WILLSON
	Venezuela	Ms. TRUJILLO

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The meeting was called to order at 7.05 p.m.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted.

ELECTION OF FIVE MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE (S/26489, S/26490/Rev.1 and S/26497 and Corr.1)

The PRESIDENT* (interpretation from Chinese): I should like to draw the attention of the Council to the fact that Mr. José Luis Jesus has informed the President of the General Assembly that he is no longer a candidate for election to the International Court of Justice. His name, therefore, does not appear on the ballot papers.

In accordance with Article 11 of the Statute of the International Court of Justice, the Council will now hold a third meeting to elect one member of the International Court of Justice by further balloting for the one seat remaining to be filled.

I would remind members of the Council that only those candidates whose names appear on the ballot paper are eligible for election and ballots containing votes for more than one candidate will be considered invalid.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Matos (Cape Verde) and Mr. Legal (France) served as tellers.

The PRESIDENT (interpretation from Chinese): May I take it that the Council is now ready to proceed with the election of one member of the International Court of Justice?

It is so decided.

I ask the Conference Officer to distribute the ballot papers. Members should place an "X" in the box next to the name of the candidate for whom they wish to vote.

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I take it that all members of the Council have now marked their ballot papers. I request the Conference Officer to collect the ballot papers.

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* See S/PV.3309, pp. 2-5 and 6.

(The President)

All the ballot papers have now been collected. I should like to remind the Council that the ballots will not be counted until it has been ascertained that the ballot papers have been collected in the General Assembly.

The Council will remain in session while we await the receipt of that information.

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I have now been informed that the ballot papers have been collected in the General Assembly.

The counting of the ballots in the Security Council will now begin.

The tellers will now count the ballots. There will be two independent countings of the ballots, one by each teller.

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The result of the voting is as follows:

Number of ballot papers:	15
Number of invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	15
Required majority:	8
Number of votes obtained:	
Mr. Abdul G. Koroma (Sierra Leone)	15

The PRESIDENT (interpretation from Chinese): Mr. Abdul G. Koroma has thus received the required majority of votes in the Security Council.

I shall communicate the result of the voting to the President of the General Assembly in writing. I request the Council to remain in session while we wait for the President of the General Assembly to inform the Council of the result of the voting in the Assembly.

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I should like to inform the members of the Council that I have just received from the President of the General Assembly the following letter:

> "I have the honour to inform you that, at the 53rd plenary meeting of the General Assembly, held today for the purpose of electing five members of the International Court of Justice, the following candidate obtained an absolute majority of votes in the General Assembly: Abdul G. Koroma".

(The President)

As both the Security Council and the General Assembly have agreed on the same candidate, the distinguished jurist Mr. Abdul G. Koroma has been elected as a member of the International Court of Justice for a term of office of nine years, beginning on 6 February 1994.

I should like to congratulate him and to wish him every success in the high office to which he has been elected.

I should also like to thank the tellers for their assistance.

The Security Council has thus concluded its business for this meeting.

The meeting rose at 7.50 p.m.